

# SUPERVISORS OBJECT TO PLAN OF FERN MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS IN DEADLOCK

## EARTHQUAKE STORY ONLY GROWS MORE APPALLING

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

ROME, December 31.—Twelve thousand are dead in Bagnara and ten thousand more died at Palmi in the appalling earthquake of Monday. It is now believed, through all reports received in this city, that an entire regiment of soldiers was drowned in the inundation of Palmi by the tidal wave which immediately followed the fearful convulsions of the earth. Bodies of three hundred soldiers have already been recovered by rescue parties engaged in looking for those who may be living imprisoned beneath the ruins where the water has not reached. It is estimated by those in charge of the rescue work and the work of removing the dead that twenty-five thousand soldiers are required for the stupendous task of extricating dead and wounded from the ruins of fallen cities and towns. To add to the horror of the already fearful situation it is feared that starvation will take the lives of thousands of survivors and that pestilence arising from the heaps of corpses will add to the work of death. The King and Queen are at Reggio, in every way assisting the living; the Queen nursing the wounded and the King helping in the extrication of the injured from the debris of buildings. All tell of a marvelous illumination of the heavens which prevailed just before the earth heaved and ruination followed. The sky was lit up to a startling brilliance immediately preceding the tremendous shocks. Mr. F. A. Schaefer, Consul for Italy, at 11 o'clock this morning, remitted two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$2,800) for the relief of the earthquake sufferers, which had been contributed by Honolulu business houses and others. Alexander & Baldwin, Castle & Cooke and H. Hackfeld & Co., each gave \$500. At 1 p. m. the fund for the Italian sufferers over-reached \$3,500.

## AMERICA SENDS HER FLEET SUPPLIES

NEW YORK, December 31.—Supplies which are valued at more than \$500,000 that had been collected with the intention of preserving them for the Atlantic battleship fleet, will be sent at once to Messina for the sufferers from the terrible disaster in Sicily and Southern Italy.

## BURTON WILL BE THE SENATOR

COLUMBUS, Ohio, December 31.—Candidates Taft, the brother of the president-elect, Foraker, Harris and Keifer, have all withdrawn from the fight for the United States senatorship. This insures the election of Burton.

## WILBUR WRIGHT BREAKING RECORDS

LEMANS, France, December 31.—Wilbur Wright made a wonderful flight in aeroplane today, remaining in the air for two hours and nine minutes.

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## STILL FOLLOWING THE ISOI TRAIL

The United States District Attorney is spending all his time at present on the Isoi cases in connection with the importation of Japanese women to this Territory for immoral purposes. Each hour is bringing new disclosures and showing the extent of the plans which have been carried through without difficulty until the recent exposures. Four more warrants have been issued for the arrest of others who were connected with the importation schemes and before the investigation is completed there will probably be at least fifteen Japanese under arrest and the number of charges may in the aggregate reach as high as fifty or sixty. Isoi and his wife, Chise, appeared this morning before Judge Dole and still had no attorney to represent them. They entered a plea of not guilty when the case came up earlier in the week and at that time C. F. Chillingworth, their attorney, withdrew. In response to a question in regard to who had been their legal advisors in the past Chise stated that F. E. Thompson had handled most of their business for them but that Chillingworth had also done some work. It appears that at the time of the famous Ten Dollar Club cases Isoi was represented by John W. Cathcart, but that since that time he has never appeared for them or given them legal advice of any kind. At the time of the Ten Dollar Club cases he was not in public office of any kind and it will also be remembered that at that time it was through evidence given by Isoi that the convictions were obtained. The U. S. District Attorney refused to make public anything further in regard to the assessment of \$12 apiece which were levied on the women in Twilel at the time of the presence of the Fleet in Honolulu Harbor. It is believed that the information on this subject is simply being withheld for a couple of days when, after further examinations not only the name of the collector, but also of the recipient or recipients can be given out to the Territorial officials for prosecution. When asked if had taken, or would take any action in the matter, Deputy Attorney General W. L. Whitney said: "No, as yet we have done nothing in this regard. What may be done I cannot say. If we can find out that that is any evidence whatever of a prima facie case we will certainly go in the subject. It will naturally be a matter which would come under this department."

## 36 HOURS OF AGONY AFTER 300 FOOT FALL

Thirty-six hours in fearful agony, in the thorny scrub and among the jagged rocks, three hundred feet below a precipice from which he had been hurled, his cries for help unheard, and crippled by the horrid fall, such was the pitiful predicament of James Adley, first class private of the U. S. Engineers. Adley, at 6 o'clock on Monday morning, shouldered his gun and climbed the hills beyond the Lihuehau cavalry camp in search of whatever might come within range. His comrades expected him into camp at sundown, and when he did not appear the next morning they went in search of him, fearing some mishap. Adley was found, severely injured. Details of his injuries are not to hand at present. He stated that the edge of a trail skirting a precipice had crumbled under his feet and he had fallen. The fall was three hundred feet or more and the wonder is that Adley was not instantly killed. Whether or not he will recover is a question. He was found about half a mile from the camp and the tale of suffering he told was indeed pathetic. Thirty-six hours he lay enduring twinges of pain from his injuries that nearly drove him frantic. He called and called, but in vain. Fever mounted to his brain and he craved, like a man in a desert or on a raft at sea, for just enough water to wet his parched tongue. If it had only rained. He longed for even a little passing shower, that his burning face might be wet and the agony of the consuming fever be a little relaxed. Hunger did not bother him so much. It was water he wanted. A man may go days without eating, but to go thirty-six hours without water, when one's limbs are wrenched and torn and fever eats into the mind, is superlative pain. He swooned at length, but only a little while before the rescuers came. So crippled was Adley that he could not crawl. Even if he could have crawled there was not a moist spot in sight where he might have wet his tongue.

**MUNICIPAL OFFICE ROOM**

BESIDES HIS OWN QUARTERS MAYOR FERN WANTS SPACE FOR ROAD DEPARTMENT.

With the inauguration of municipal government comes the necessity of providing suitable official quarters for the Mayor. At present the county offices with the exception of roads and bridges and the treasury are quartered on the second floor of the McIntyre building, where also a good sized assembly room is rented. County Attorney Cathcart wants more room for his department, which with the Mayor's requirement means rent to pay for three or four more rooms. Mr. Fern moreover, has spoken to S. A. Walker, agent of the McIntyre building, about securing quarters for the roads and bridges department. This now occupies snug accommodations rent free in the basement of the Capitol. How the Board of Supervisors will regard a proposal involving so much added expense remains to be seen. Treasurer Trent receives no rent for the treasury situated in the offices of the Trent Trust Co.

**A RELIABLE REMEDY FOR CROUP.**

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New Year's services will be held at the German Lutheran church at 11 a. m. tomorrow.

## SUIT TO DISBAR

THE PROBABLE RESULT OF THE INVESTIGATION OF CHARGES AGAINST ACHI.

Deputy Attorney General Larnach has been placed in charge of the investigations which will probably lead to disbarment proceedings against W. C. Achi, the late candidate for mayor on the Laborula ticket. A great deal of evidence has already been obtained in the matter, but according to a statement made by Deputy Attorney General Whitney this morning, Larnach will from now on devote his entire time to looking up evidence in the case. It is recognized as improbable that criminal charges can be brought which would result in a conviction, but in the case of disbarment it is different. There are certain ethics of the profession which are supposed to be observed by all attorneys, and this is shown by a requirement of good moral character on the part of each candidate for admission to the bar, and if it can be shown that people were defrauded in the land transactions which were conducted by Achi it is almost certain that his legal practice will be ended. He has retained A. L. C. Atkinson as his attorney.

## TO RELIEVE SUFFERERS

CONSUL SCHAEFER ACCEPTS OFFER OF DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE FROM MRS. McLENNAN.

Mrs. McLennan has tendered to Consul F. A. Schaefer a dramatic performance in aid of the earthquake sufferers of Italy and Sicily. Mr. Schaefer has gratefully accepted the offer. Two plays will therefore be given at the Hawaiian Opera House on January 16 by the pupils of Mrs. McLennan belonging to the dramatic circle of the Kiloheana Art League. They were preparing the pieces for an entertainment at the League rooms, but on the appearance of Mr. Schaefer's appeal to the public commendably changed the plan as above. "One Touch of Nature," the first play, will be presented by C. H. Diekey, H. Reinecke and Miss Alice Spalding. "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone" will be performed by Miss Whitford, Miss Marion Green, Mrs. W. M. Graham and Miss Sprinks. Between these plays there is to be an olio in which the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet" will be presented and Mrs. McLennan probably offer a dramatic recital. As the entertainment was found to have had a large audience it is surely ought to have a full house at the city's leading theater when given for the relief of human suffering on a scale that staggers the world. NEW YEAR'S DINNER. The Alexander Young Cafe will serve a New Year's dinner Friday from 5:30 till 8. Prices, 75c and \$1.

MAYOR-ELECT DEFIES SUPERVISORS-ELECT AND THE NEW BOARD IS DETERMINED TO PUT THROUGH THE MANAGEMENT OF CITY AND COUNTY AFFAIRS BY COMMITTEES WITHOUT FERN'S APPROVAL—BOTH CLAIM THE RIGHT.

The long list of appointments given out by Mayor-elect Fern will be ignored by the Board of Supervisors, and the present holders of the positions, to which Fern has tried to appoint new men, are being advised by members of the new board to continue their work until further notice. The Municipal Act is regarded as very doubtful in its provisions regarding the power of appointment. One section says that officers of the city and county whose election or appointment is not otherwise provided for shall be appointed by the mayor, with the approval of the supervisors, but there is no definition of what is an "officer," and some of the Republicans claim that most of the petty jobs which Fern is trying to fill do not come under this title. Even if they do, moreover, the Republican board is not disposed to confirm Fern's long list of Democratic appointments, and if there is no other way to use coercion, it appears likely that the supervisor's power to control appropriations will be used to kill the mayor's move to fill practically all the offices with men selected by the Democratic county committee. Both the mayor and the supervisors express themselves as anxious for a legal test of the matter if there can not be a harmonious agreement, and the result will probably be a test suit next week, when the Municipal Act goes into effect.

## FERN CHANGES SOME OFFICES

This afternoon Mayor Fern filed with the Auditor his list of appointments to municipal offices, as directed by law. Since the publication of the list this morning the Mayor has made some changes, giving more Republicans offices. A. G. Deering, assistant chief engineer fire department is retained. N. P. Jacobson is retained as collector for the garbage department. E. B. Friel is made a road luna instead of garbage collector. Charles F. Sackwitz has concluded to remain with the Hawaiian Electric Co., and John Marshall will be retained instead of him as dynamoman. The following were not named in the original list, all being in Koolapoko road district: N. P. Kaleiopuu, road luna. David Alaula, blacksmith. Abraham Apunui, stableman. Samuel Wallace, engineer.

"I have made my appointments, according to the Municipal Law, as I understand it," said Mayor-elect Joe Fern this morning, "and those appointments must stand. No, it is immaterial whether or not the Board of Supervisors approve my appointments. The law says it is up to me to make the appointments and all that remains for the Supervisors to do is to fix the salaries." "But suppose the Supervisors refuse to fix any salaries?" "They will have to; the work of the City and County cannot proceed without officers and employees and unless these men are paid they are not likely to work." "What is the Supervisors choose to name their own City and County employees and vote them salaries?"

"They can do nothing of the kind. I have made my appointments, as bound to do, and they will stand; there can be no appointments by the Supervisors."

"How about committees?" "I am now preparing to choose the committees. It is my duty to select the committees of the Board of Supervisors and name the chairman of each committee."

"It is understood that the Supervisors will name their own committees."

"Well, I'm waiting to see what the (Continued on Page Five.)"

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